### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

CARL BRUCE FANNING, et al,	)
Plaintiffs,	) )
v.	) CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:05-CV-1121-C
NATIONAL CARRIERS, et al,	) )
Defendants.	)

#### **CONSENT FORM DIRECTIVE**

Previously, the parties were notified of the assignment of this case to a Magistrate Judge and the right to request reassignment. *See* Attached Explanation. The parties have indicated their consent to a Magistrate Judge's jurisdiction, *see* 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), by not requesting reassignment; therefore, as indicated in the notice of assignment, the parties should now confirm their consent in writing. Accordingly, counsel for the parties are

DIRECTED to complete and send to the Clerk of the Court the attached consent form so that the form is received by the Clerk on or before February 28, 2006. DO NOT FILE THIS FORM ELECTRONICALLY.

Done this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2006.

/s/Charles S. Coody
CHARLES S. COODY
CHIEF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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parties to the above-captioned jurisdiction of a Magistrate Judg	provisions of Title 28, U.S.C. § 636(c), the undersigned party or decivil matter who previously have indicated their consent to the ge of this Court, hereby confirm in writing their consent to a United sting any and all further proceedings in the case, including trial, and gment.  Signature
	Counsel For ( <b>print</b> name of all parties)
	Address, City, State Zip Code
	Telephone Number

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## EXPLANATION OF ASSIGNMENT TO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

This civil case has been randomly assigned to a United States Magistrate Judge of this court. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), the Magistrate Judges of this court are designated to conduct any and all proceedings in a jury or nonjury civil case and order the entry of final judgment upon the consent of all parties to a case. Any appeal from a judgment entered by a Magistrate Judge is taken directly to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit in the same manner as any appeal from any judgment entered in this court.

Any party to this lawsuit has the right to consent or decline consent to the jurisdiction of a Magistrate Judge. To exercise your right to consent you should complete the consent form and return it to the Clerk of the Court as indicated in the court's order.

Litigants, without concern for any adverse consequences, freely may decline consent to the jurisdiction of a Magistrate Judge. If you decline consent to the jurisdiction of a Magistrate Judge, this case will be reassigned randomly to a District Judge.